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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The India-Pakistan Situation
(Report #51 - As of 4:00 p.m. EDT)

1. Fighting in the India-West Pakistan area apparently continues but on a reduced scale, with Pakistani spokesmen claiming to have contained Indian attacks in the Lahore sector.

2. A Pakistani representative told the UN Security Council today he doubted the necessity for UN coercive action against India and Pakistan as proposed by U Thant. He said that to adopt such a procedure would be a "momentous decision" whose implications would have to be weighed carefully before the Council proceeded further, and that Pakistan itself "will have to weigh carefully our reactions to such a move."

3. Several tankers are due to arrive at Karachi over the next week to replenish crude oil stocks at the Karachi refinery. Indian naval vessels may attempt to intercept these tankers. This gives rise to the further possibility of a clash between the Pakistani and Indian navies, since no Pakistani destroyer or larger combatant ship was in Karachi harbor on 18 September.

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